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October 20, 2008

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region II 2890 Woodbridge Avenue Edison, New Jersey 08837

Attention: Mr. Joseph Cosentino

On-Scene Coordinator

Re: Monthly Progress Report No. 2

LPRSA Removal Action

Dear Mr. Cosentino:

Submitted herewith is Monthly Progress Report No. 2 for work performed during September 2008 on the LPRSA Removal Action. This progress report has been prepared pursuant to Section VIII, Paragraph 28 of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent between U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Occidental Chemical Corporation and Tierra Solutions, Inc., Index No. CERCLA-02-2008-2020.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (732) 246-3091.

Sincerely,

Tierra Solutions, Inc.

Paul J. Bluestein, P.E. Project Coordinator

On behalf of Occidental Chemical Corporation

(as successor to Diamond Shamrock Chemicals Company)

Attachment

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MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT NO. 2 LPRSA REMOVAL ACTION WORK PERIOD: September 2008

- A. Actions Taken Toward Achieving Compliance with the Order
 - 1. The first financial assurance payment to the Trust, \$2,000,000, was made on September 21, 2008.
- B. Actual or Potential Violations and Other Problems Encountered
 - 1. None
- C. Corrective Actions
 - 1. None.
- D. <u>Validated Sampling or Testing Results Received or Generated During the Course of Implementing the Work</u>
 - 1. None.
- E. Future Plans, Actions and Data Scheduled for October 2008 and November 2008
 - 1. The Phase I EE/CA, Revision 0 will be prepared and submitted to USEPA on October 6, 2008.
 - 2. On October 9, 2008 Tierra will give a presentation to USEPA on the Phase I EE/CA, Revision 0.
- F. Work Completion Estimates
 - 1. None.
- G. <u>Delays Encountered or Anticipated and Mitigation Actions</u>
 - 1. None.